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### **Circular Letter**

TO: ALL PEHMCA HEALTH BENEFITS OFFICERS AND ASSISTANT

**HEALTH BENEFITS OFFICERS** 

SUBJECT: WEBINAR ON 2012 HEALTH PLAN DESIGN, RATE AND BENEFIT

**CHANGES** 

Webinar on 2012 Health Plan Design, Rate, and Benefit Changes

The CalPERS Health Benefits Program invites you to an Employer Webinar on the CalPERS Health Plan Design, Rate, and Benefit Changes for 2012. Webinars utilize web conferencing technology to provide you with a live, interactive presentation. This year's webinar format continues with CalPERS commitment to reduce our carbon footprint, be cost-effective for our employers, be transparent in our communication, and provide an equitable dissemination of important information.

## Webinar Access and Information

The live webinar will be held on Thursday, August 4, 2011 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. You will be able to access the webinar from the convenience of any location with a computer and Internet connection and will have the ability to send text questions during the webinar. The following topics will be discussed:

- 2012 CalPERS Health Benefits Program rate information
- Overview of 2012 Health Benefits Program changes
- Differences between HMO and PPO plans
- Updates from our Health Plan Partners: Anthem Blue Cross, CVS Caremark, Blue Shield of California, and Kaiser Permanente
- Question and answer segment.

### Registration

To register for the 2012 Webinar on Health Plan Design, Rate, and Benefit Changes, go to the Employers tab on CalPERS On-Line (<u>www.calpers.ca.gov</u>), and select Employer Education & Events. Instructions will be posted to the site in advance of the event.

# Webinar Posts to CalPERS YouTube

Archived sessions will be available to employers and members alike by September 1, 2011, via CalPERS On-Line (<u>www.calpers.ca.gov</u>). The link can be accessed by selecting the Video Center, and clicking on the link for the 2012 Webinar on Health Plan Design, Rate, and Benefit Changes.

The webinar will subsequently serve as a "virtual health fair" for active and retired members wishing to learn more about the health plan designs and the unique attributes of each plan. This information will be available 24/7. We will post links to our Health Plan Chooser Tool, as well as the downloadable slide deck, webinar transcripts, and the 2012 health plan rate sheets.

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#### Questions

If you have any questions about this Circular Letter, please contact the CalPERS Employer Contact Center at **888 CalPERS** (or **888**-225-7377).

Sincerely,

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